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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 14 October 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-19 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-19 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 06 February 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claims 1, 5-9, 13-16 and 19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Albert et al., (2001/0023316), (hereinafter Albert).

Regarding claims 1, 9 and 16, Albert discloses connecting a sensor device to a first network [paragraph 52, figure 5];

connecting an aggregating device to the first network[paragraph 52, figure 5];

transmitting sensor information from the sensor device to the aggregating device[paragraph 52, figure 5].

Regarding claims 5, 13 and 19, Albert discloses the sensor device is a physiology sensor [paragraph 52, figure 5].

Regarding claims 6 and 14, Albert discloses connecting a second sensor device to the first network [paragraph 36 and figure 1];

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transmitting sensor information from the second sensor device to the aggregating device [paragraphs 36 and 52 and figures 1 and 5].

Regarding claims 7 and 15, Albert discloses the sensor devices are heterogeneous [paragraphs 35 and 40].

Regarding claim 8, Albert discloses connecting the aggregating device to a second network [paragraph 53 and figures 5 and 8].

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

4. Claims 1-4, 8-12 and 16-18 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Trossen, (US Publication No. 2003/0048195).

Regarding claims 1, 9 and 16, Trossen discloses connecting a sensor device to a first network [paragraph 26 and figure 2A];

connecting an aggregating device to the first network [paragraph 26 and figure 2A]; and

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transmitting sensor information from the sensor device to the aggregating device [paragraphs 14 and 26 and figure 2A].

Regarding claims 2, 10 and 17, Trossen discloses the sensor information is transmitted using the Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) [paragraph 26].

Regarding claims 3 and 11, Trossen discloses the sensor device is an SIP user agent [paragraph 26 and figure 2A].

Regarding claims 4 and 12, Trossen discloses the aggregating device is an SIP server [paragraph 26 and figure 2A].

Regarding claim 8, Trossen discloses connecting the aggregating device to a second network [paragraph 52 and figure 5].

Regarding claim 18, Trossen discloses each sensor device is a SIP user agents and the aggregating device is an SIP server [paragraph 26 and figure 2A].

Conclusion

5. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to WILLIAM J. GOODCHILD whose telephone number is (571)270-1589. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday / 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jason Cardone can be reached on (571) 272-3933. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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